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Dear Joshua,

I'm sorry that I missed seeing you and Esther in Chicago. I would have liked to talk to you, but maybe we can visit you in Madison this summer.

I'm a bit discouraged with myself because I accomplished very little this last winter. There were some reasons, one of which was that I had to teach five courses this past year. But I hope to get going again, this year, although I will still have the same teaching load.

The K12 cultures that I had didn't behave properly and as you suspected they no longer gave the correct reactions. Would you be kind enough to send me any pair of strains that show recombination. I'll keep them myself and hope not to lose them. Sorry to bother you about this, but our stock cultures aren't kept very well.

I have one grad student and Bert who work with me. Otherwise things are quiet except for

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the new feud between Werhman and Schlenk. The arguments have been quite intense and I fear that the possibility exists that Schlenk may leave.

Anyhow, Bert and I manage to keep happy, and hope to get some good work going soon.

Best regards to you and Esther from Bert and me

Sincerely,
Hans.